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Dear Mr. Ken Levine:

I wish to express my concern and opposition to the consolidation of the TBPTE into the TDLR. I also wish to express concern that not one of the ultimate decision makers has the requisite medical knowledge or healthcare experience to make an appropriate decision. Physical Therapy is a doctoral level degree providing hands on care of complex patients. This commission does not have the depth of education nor the breath of experience to address this issue in the most effective manner possible.

I am a Physical Therapist who has been in practice for over 40 years. I currently am the Clinical Manager of Rehabilitation Services at University Medical Center, Austin, TX and oversee a highly educated and professionally gifted team of over 40 therapists. We are all very concerned for the safety and well-being of our patients and do not believe this action will positively impact either.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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